

# HIRSHFIELD BALKS MARKET WITNESSES

Tells Mrs. Laidlaw She's a Disturber When She Mentions Persecution.

# QUASHES LAWYER'S PLEA

Inquiry on Food Speculators Opens in Atmosphere of Mutual Suspicion.

David Hirschfeld, Commissioner of Accounts, began an investigation yesterday to ascertain if food jobbers and speculators control Gove's food and Waldo's markets, as charged by the New York Market Growers Association. Twenty-five farmers and half a dozen women appeared to support the complaint, but found the Commissioner unsympathetic and suspicious.

"I am informed you are here for the purpose of making newspaper stories," he said to M. L. Ernst, counsel for the association. "We've complained of these conditions for three months."

"Well, then, sit down," said Mr. Hirschfeld.

Mr. Ernst wanted to finish what he had to say.

"Official," said the Commissioner to a special policeman. "Tell that lawyer to sit down. Tell him to sit over there by the door."

Mr. Ernst sat down. A few minutes later, however, he attempted to speak again.

"Put that man out of the room where he will behave himself," commanded Mr. Hirschfeld.

When Ernst had been eliminated Mr. Hirschfeld called Mrs. James Lees Laidlaw. The following is the substance of her examination.

Q. (By Hirschfeld) Who do you represent?

A. The living cost committee of the League of Women Voters, about 1,000-600 women.

Q. Did you go and see these markets?

A. I did.

Q. How did you see them?

A. We visited the markets and talked to the market men.

Q. Who invited you to go?

A. The New York Market Growers Association.

That ended the testimony for the moment. Later Mrs. Laidlaw asked permission to speak again.

"Can I ask you a question?" she said.

"I have to leave and I want to make a report to my organization. All I get for this is one thing—that your opposition amounts almost to persecution of the New York Market Growers Association."

"Have you been told to say that by that lawyer outside?" asked Mr. Hirschfeld.

"No," said Mrs. Laidlaw.

"Well," said the Commissioner. "I'm tired of you're here as a disturber and not as a helper, and you can go back and tell that to your club."

Mrs. Laidlaw left, giving Mr. Hirschfeld the last word.

Mrs. Frederick Hodgson, president of the Women's Municipal League; Mrs. Thomas Rambeau, representing the Women's University Club, and Mrs. J. L. Krass were questioned and dismissed. Then the Commissioner summoned a friendly witness named Fred Mergo, a farmer of Jamaica, who said he was not a member of the association, but that he thought speculators were a good thing in the market because they made it possible for a farmer to sell his produce quickly.

It developed later that Mergo never had been required to pay a fee to the city for a stall, as most farmers must do before they can sell their goods. William Ausonried, also a friendly witness, joined Mergo in defending the speculators.

"In the winter," said Mr. Hirschfeld, encouraging him "if there were no jobbers or speculators the people of New York city would have to starve to death. Isn't that so?"

Yes, Mr. Hirschfeld replied.

That caused an examination from Mr. Ernst that resulted in his ejection.

The last witness was E. V. Titus, president of the association.

After a few questions Mr. Hirschfeld told him to "come back in two weeks with a program and we'll put it through if it's anything to help the farmers."

Mr. Titus then adjourned until two weeks from yesterday.

# U. S. AUCTIONS SEIZED

JEWELS AT LOW PRICES

Largest Stone in Brooklyn Sale Appraised at \$3,200.

One hundred and fifty pieces of jewelry seized by the Customs authorities in Brooklyn were auctioned under the direction of Marshall Moore in Brooklyn yesterday. The appraised value was \$26,000, but the various pieces were auctioned for half or one-third of the appraised value.

They included large and small diamonds, rubies, sapphires and pearls. The largest stone was a twelve karat diamond valued at \$3,200. A diamond appraised at \$1,000 went for \$500. A pair of earrings valued at \$500 was sold for \$235. All the jewelry was confiscated after attempts had been made to smuggle them into this country.

# DROPS SUIT AGAINST WALSKA.

Mme. Melius Ends Her Charges Against Harold F. McCormick.

Mme. Leuecia Melius, opera singer, has dropped her suit to restrain Ganna Walska, Polish opera singer and wife of Harold F. McCormick of Chicago, from appearing in an American concert tour under the management of Jules Dalber. It was announced yesterday by her attorneys, George Wolf and Abner Sigel, 217 Broadway.

After a series of correspondence was not divulged. It is probable that Mrs. Walska soon may begin a tour of America.

Mme. Melius had charged that Mr. McCormick had used his money to influence Dalber to hire his daughter, although she had a three-year contract. Mme. Melius is the wife of William F. Melius, a broker, of 165 Broadway. They have a country home at Amityville.

# WIDY'S RETURN DELAYED.

May Not Leave Philippines Until Late Spring.

MANILA, P. I., Nov. 24 (Associated Press).—Gov.-Gen. Leonard Wood will not leave here to take up his new duties as provost of the University of Pennsylvania until the end of the Philippine legislative session, which will come during the latter half of February.

It is possible he may prolong his stay to assist in carrying out or putting into working order the chief features of the program he has mapped out for the rehabilitation of the currency system of the islands and the stabilization of exchange transactions.

# HIGH SCHOOLS NEED OUTSIDE FACILITIES

President of Board Discusses Use of Armories, Parks and Libraries.

# PROVIDES MORE TIME

Conference of Principals Is Held to Devise a Working Scheme.

An appeal for the utilization of all available outside facilities to provide full time for more high school pupils throughout the city was made yesterday by George J. Ryan, president of the Board of Education. Mr. Ryan addressed a conference of high school principals called by Superintendent of Schools William L. Ettinger in the Board of Education building, to discuss school congestion. The three types of facilities available which would provide more adequate schooling for high school students, as pointed out by Mr. Ryan, are armories, parks, and libraries. He said he knew these were being utilized by some principals already.

"The response from those in charge of outside facilities that we hope to be able to use more largely has been an encouraging 'I am sure we are going to be able to do effective planning to provide full time for more students in the city,'" Mr. Ryan said.

"There is no attempt to create a situation that will be an argument to stop building new high schools. The need for them is recognized."

Mr. Ryan congratulated the principals upon "the extraordinary efficiency in school programming" by which they have stretched to the limit "the capacity of the buildings so that they accommodate many thousands more students than the buildings were planned to house."

He said there were now 102,375 students registered in the high schools, while there are but 73,237 buildings.

Principal Gilbert S. Raynor of the Brooklyn Commercial High School said the use of an armory had been tested, but it was too far away. "It took fifteen minutes each way and ten minutes for the pupils to change into their gymnasium clothes and that exactly exhausted the forty minutes for the period," said Mr. Raynor.

Other principals reported an average of from twenty-five to thirty minutes lost in getting to the nearest armory or park. They said the only possible step now would be to get permission to use these buildings after school hours.

"The conference indicates many armories and libraries are being used, many would be used if it were practical, and they are not available for many instances," said Dr. Ettinger. "Let me advise you not to go to extremes in trying to save a minute or two by systematizing. Pupils should not be rushed from one classroom to another and can not do their best work that way. The evils of this system are not due to the loss of a few minutes between classes. They are due to a system that is contrary to the best methods of study."

# TRAINLOAD OF TURKEYS DUE.

60,000 Gobblers Leave West for New York and Boston.

CINCINNATI, Nov. 24.—A trainload of 60,000 turkeys, worth close to \$500,000 in the retail market, left Cincinnati last night over the Big Four Railroad for New York and Boston.

The wholesale price of turkeys in Boston yesterday was 63 cents a pound. The retail price in Cincinnati to-day was 55 to 63 cents a pound.

# POLICE DEPARTMENT ORDERS

SPECIAL ORDERS NO. 251.

1. The following member of the Force is relieved and discharged from the police force and placed on the roll of the police pension and is to be paid the following pension:

To take effect 12 P. M., November 23, 1922:

PHILIP J. FELDMAN, shield No. 4446, 334 precinct, on his own application, at \$1140 per annum. Appointed November 24, 1914.

2. The following transfers and assignments are ordered:

To take effect 9 A. M., November 24, 1922:

PATROLMEN

Michael L. McCarron, headquarters division, from 4th precinct, assigned to 10th precinct, assigned to 10th precinct, assigned to 10th precinct.

To take effect 8 A. M., November 23, 1922:

Dennis Sullivan, 14th precinct, assigned as attendant.

TEMPORARY ASSIGNMENTS.

PATROLMEN

Michael McGowan, 30th precinct, assigned to day tour and excused from duty for 30 days, from 8 A. M., November 24, 1922.

Richard J. Hickey, 42d precinct, to headquarters division, to duty in office of the Police Commissioner, for 8 days, from 8 A. M., November 23, 1922.

John P. Sheehan and James J. Sullivan, 43d precinct, to detective division, to duty in office of the District Attorney, New York county, for 5 days, from 8 A. M., November 23, 1922.

Edward J. Sullivan, 45th precinct, to detective division, to duty in office of the District Attorney, New York county, for 5 days, from 8 A. M., November 24, 1922; John J. Turley, Jr., 22, James M. Cully 42, Bartholomew A. O'Connor 43.

For 15 days, from 8 A. M., December 1, 1922.

Joseph Frank, 23d precinct, to headquarters division, public office, to duty in office of the board of purchase, Municipal Building.

John J. Reynolds and Edward G. Henschler, 32d precinct, assigned to duty in plain clothes in precinct.

From precincts indicated to First Inspection district, to duty in plain clothes:

Reverend Marone, 5; Harry Johans, 12d.

From precincts indicated to First Inspection district, to duty in front of alleged disorderly hotels:

Arthur J. Leary, 20; James L. Gieson, 20; Thomas J. Daly, 34.

From precincts indicated to Tenth Inspection district, to duty in plain clothes:

Edward F. Ryan, 78; Harry J. Lunt, 78; George L. Shannon, 77; Harry J. Lunt, 78.

From precincts indicated to Headquarters division, office of Chief Inspector, to duty in plain clothes:

James J. Gallagher, 12; Patrick J. McCaffrey, 20; Dennis J. Sullivan, 20; James J. Dunne, 40; James J. Dunne, 40; James J. Dunne, 40.

John J. Lyons, 60; Joseph E. Hens, 50; Peter J. McGowan, 70; John P. Hens, 70; Robert S. Porelli, 71; Otto S. Anderson, 78.

August L. Hens, 78; Henry C. Behan, 80; Frederick Paine, 80; Henry C. Behan, 80; August L. Hens, 78; Henry C. Behan, 80.

100; Frank Mark, 100; Michael J. Dinicola, 110.

From precincts indicated to absence are authorized, without pay:

SERGEANT.

William J. Marion, 38th precinct, for one day from 12:01 A. M., November 27, 1922.

PATROLMEN.

John J. Fitzmaurice, 14th precinct, for one day from 8 A. M., November 23, 1922; John W. Clune, 27th precinct, for one day from 8 A. M., November 23, 1922; Henry J. Porelli, 38th precinct, for one day from 8 A. M., November 23, 1922; John L. Hayes, Traffic Precinct B, for two days from 8 A. M., December 1, 1922.

4.—The following death is reported:

PATROLMAN.

James J. Griffin, shield No. 307, 50th precinct, died at 8:30 A. M., November 23, 1922, funeral from his late residence, 907 Perry street, Manhattan, at 2 P. M., November 26, 1922. Interment Holy Cross Cemetery.

3.—The following transfer is ordered, to take effect 8 A. M., November 22:

CIVILIAN EMPLOYEE.

CARETAKER.

Patrick Gately, from Quartermaster's Department to Traffic Precinct B.

RICHARD E. ENRIGHT, Police Commissioner.

# To-day's Radio Program

(Tune to 360 Meters)

Newark, N. J.—Westinghouse Station WJZ. 7 P. M.—Play by play results of the Army and Navy football game from the Franklin Field at the University of Pennsylvania. The thousands who are always turned away from the overcrowded football field will be able this year to enjoy every thrill of the game through the broadcasting of WJZ and the assistance of the Western Union Telegraph Company. The game will be covered by W. S. Pittcraft, sporting editor of the New York Globe.

8:30 P. M.—Closing prices on stocks, bonds, grain, coffee and sugar.

8:45 P. M.—Resume of sporting events.

9 P. M.—Musical program.

9:15 P. M.—Uncle Wiggly Bedtime Stories, by Howard R. Garth.

9:30 P. M.—"Fashions," by an editor of Harper's Bazar.

9:45 P. M.—An English Sense of Humor, by Major Vivian Gilbert, who will be remembered by his radio lecture last spring on "The Last Crusade," depicting his experiences in Egypt under Lord Allenby.

9:55 to 10 P. M.—Arlington time signals.

10:01 P. M.—Continuation of the dance music program.

Station WEAF (American Telephone and Telegraph Co., Manhattan, 400 Meters).

7:40 P. M.—Play by play report of the Yale-Harvard football game direct from the Yale Bowl in New Haven. The remarks of the observer and the cheers and songs of the two colleges will be carried over special high quality wires to the radio station in New York.

8:00 P. M.—Organ recital by Prof. Samuel A. Baldwin, head of the department of music of the College of the Holy Cross, New York, direct from the great hall at City College.

Program: (1) Sonata in G minor in three movements (Brahms); (2) "Fountain Melody" (Mozart); (3) Fantasia and Fugue in G minor (Bach); (4) Three Old Melodies; (5) "Drink to Me Only With Thine Eyes" (Handel); (6) "Deep River" (Negro); (7) "Song of the Volga Boatmen" (Russian); (8) "Hymn of Glory" (Yon); dedicated to the American Legion; (9) "By the Sea" (Shubert); (10) "Fiducia" (Biberius).

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